



UNITED STATES OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT  
Washington, DC 20415

September 7, 2018

Mr. Ryan Koronowski  
ThinkProgress.org  
1333 H St. NW 10th Floor  
Washington, DC 20005

Re: FOIA 2017-04804

Dear Mr. Koronowski:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 5, 2017 to the United States Office of Personnel Management (OPM) seeking "Any non-disclosure agreement or non-disparagement agreement required for executive branch appointees that has been instituted since January 20, 2017."

And, after some discussion with OPM, you clarified:

"I am looking for any generic NDA, not filled out or signed by an employee, that is now in use, or proposed by the current administration. This would include communications from staff at OPM about such proposed or executed NDAs, or policies related to such. The EO [titled Ethics Commitments by Executive Branch Appointees] addresses lobbying and ethics requirements, but not, to my understanding, NDAs".

We were not able to locate any records or files pertaining to your specific request.

The undersigned is responsible for the no records determination. You have the right to appeal this determination. Should you wish to do so, pursuant to 5 CFR 294.110, you must send a copy of your initial request, a copy of the letter denying the request, and a statement as to why you believe the denying official erred within 90 days from the date of this letter to:

U.S. Office of Personnel Management  
Office of General Counsel  
1900 E Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20415

Both the front of the envelope and the first page of your letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal."

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The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration  
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College Park, MD 20740-6001  
Telephone: 202-741-5770 or 1-877-684-6448  
Fax: 202-741-5769OGIS  
Email: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov)

You may also seek additional assistance from OPM's Public Liaison. The OPM FOIA Public Liaison can be reached as follows:

Email: [foia@opm.gov](mailto:foia@opm.gov)  
Telephone Hotline: 202-606-1153

If you need to contact our office concerning this request, please call the FOIA Service Center on 202-606-3642 and refer to FOIA #2017-04804.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tiffany Ford".

Tiffany Ford  
Acting FOIA Officer